BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported H.R. 1741, to require the Attorney General to make competitive grants to eligible State, tribal, and local governments to establish and maintain certain protection and witness assistance programs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nominations of William Joseph Hochul, Jr., to be United States Attorney for the Western Dis-

trict of New York, and Sally Quillian Yates, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of Georgia.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 21 public bills, H.R. 4689–4709; and 15 resolutions, H.J. Res. 76; H. Con. Res. 240–243; and H. Res. 1110–1112, 1115–1121 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Report Filed: Reports were filed today as follows: H. Res. 1109, providing for consideration of the Senate amendments to the bill (H.R. 3961) to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to reform the Medicare SGR payment system for physicians and to reinstitute and update the Pay-As-You-Go requirement of budget neutrality on new tax and mandatory spending legislation, enforced by the threat of annual, automatic sequestration (H. Rept. 111–420) and

H. Res. 1113, providing for further consideration of the bill (H.R. 2701) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2010 for intelligence and intelligence related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System (H. Rept. 111–421).

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Pastor to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Recess: The House recessed at 12:03 p.m. and reconvened at 12:39 p.m. **Page H848**

Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010: The House began consideration of H.R. 2701, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2010 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency

Retirement and Disability System. Further proceedings were postponed. Pages H838–845, H849–95

Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence now printed in the bill shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under the 5-minute rule.

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Agreed to:

Hoekstra amendment (No. 2 printed in H. Rept. 111–419) that requires the Director of the CIA, within 30 days, to publicly issue an unclassified version of the CIA Inspector General's report entitled "Procedures Used In Narcotics Airbridge Denial Program in Peru, 1995–2001," dated August 25, 2008;

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Rogers (MI) amendment (No. 4 printed in H. Rept. 111–419) that prohibits funds in the Act from being used to implement the FBI's Field Office Supervisory Term Limit Policy requiring the mandatory reassignment of a supervisor after a specific term of years;

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Eshoo amendment (No. 5 printed in H. Rept. 111–419) that requires the Director of National Intelligence to establish an intelligence community-wide conflict of interest regulation working in conjunction with the Office of Government Ethics; to establish a community-wide process for checking outside employment for conflicts of interest, and also to submit an annual report to the intelligence committees on all outside employment activities that were approved in the last year. The amendment also prohibits Intelligence Community government employees from owning companies that sell skills related to their government service;

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Conaway amendment (No. 6 printed in H. Rept. 111–419) that expresses the sense of Congress that it is imperative intelligence community-wide auditability be achieved as soon as possible and the

National Reconnaissance Office should be commended for achieving a clean audit; Pages H886–87

Arcuri amendment (No. 7 printed in H. Rept. 111–419) that requires the President to submit detailed notifications to Congress on current and newly-created cybersecurity programs; Pages H887–88

Burton (IN) amendment (No. 8 printed in H. Rept. 111–419) that expresses the sense of Congress honoring members of the Central Intelligence Agency for their dedication to the protection of the United States and expressing appreciation for their unique role in combating terrorism and crucial support of U.S. military operations; Pages H888–90

Holt amendment (No. 9 printed in H. Rept. 111–419) that directs the Inspector General of the Intelligence Community to review available intelligence, including raw and unfinished intelligence, to determine if there is any credible evidence of a connection between a foreign entity and the attacks on the United States in 2001 involving anthrax;

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Castle amendment (No. 10 printed in H. Rept. 111–419) that requires the President, acting through the Treasury Secretary, to submit to Congress the report required under section 6303(a) of the Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004 (Public Law 108–458); and Pages H891–92

Walz amendment (No. 11 printed in H. Rept. 111–419) that requires the intelligence community ("IC") to take actions to educate security clearance adjudicators on the nature of post-traumatic stress disorder in combat veterans as each IC component sees fit.

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Proceedings Postponed:

Reyes manager's amendment (No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 111–419) that seeks to make technical and sundry changes; Pages H874–83

Hastings (FL) amendment (No. 3 printed in H. Rept. 111–419) that seeks to require the DNI, in coordination with the heads of the elements of the intelligence community, to submit to Congress a report on the plans of each element of the community, including the Office of the Director of National Intelligence, to increase diversity within that element; and

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Schauer amendment (No. 12 printed in H. Rept. 111–419) that seeks to require the DNI to investigate and report to Congress regarding the attempted terrorist attack on Northwest flight 253 and measures the intelligence community has taken or will take to prevent any intelligence failures within or between elements of the U.S. intelligence community.

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H. Res. 1105, providing for consideration of the bill H.R. 2701, waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain

resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules, and providing for consideration of motions to suspend the rules, was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 237 yeas to 176 nays, Roll No. 66, after the previous question was ordered without objection.

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Medicare Physician Payment Reform Act: The House concurred in the Senate amendments to H.R. 3961, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to reform the Medicare SGR payment system for physicians and to reinstitute and update the Pay-As-You-Go requirement of budget neutrality on new tax and mandatory spending legislation, enforced by the threat of annual, automatic sequestration, by a yea-and-nay vote of 315 yeas to 97 nays, Roll No. Pages H845-48, H895-H901, H906-07

H. Res. 1109, the rule providing for consideration of the Senate amendments, was agreed to by voice vote after the previous question was ordered without objection.

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Suspension: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure:

Temporary Extension Act of 2010: H.R. 4691, to provide a temporary extension of certain programs.

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Recess: The House recessed at 5:41 p.m. and reconvened at 6:38 p.m. Page H906

Suspension—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and agree to the following measure which was debated on Tuesday, February 23rd:

Supporting the goals and ideals of National Urban Crimes Awareness Week: H. Con. Res. 227, amended, to support the goals and ideals of National Urban Crimes Awareness Week, by a ²/₃ yea-and-nay vote of 411 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 68.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H907.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H848–49, H906–07, H907. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 11:14 p.m.

Committee Meetings DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense met in executive session to hold a hearing on Fort Hood. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: GEN Carter